CHAPTER 1129

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON HIGHWAY COMMISSION

H. F. 805

AN ACT to authorize the state highway commission to pay all special assessments on land under its jurisdiction and to provide that such land be assessed in the same manner as private property and to authorize the Iowa executive council to pay all special assessments on land owned by the state which is not under the jurisdiction and control of the state highway commission, and to provide that such land be assessed in the same manner as private property.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred seven point ten (307.10), Code 1966, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

"Municipalities and counties may assess the cost of a public improvement when such improvement benefits property owned by the state and under the jurisdiction and control of the state highway commission. The commission shall pay from the primary road fund such portion of the cost of the improvement as would be legally assessable against the land if privately owned.

Assessments against property under the jurisdiction of the state highway commission shall be made in the same manner as those made 9 10 against private property, except that the municipality or county mak-11 ing the assessment shall cause a copy of the public notice of hearing 12

to be mailed to the commission by restricted certified mail. 13

14 Assessments against property owned by the state and not under the 15 jurisdiction and control of the state highway commission shall be made 16 in the same manner as those made against private property and payment thereof shall be made by the executive council from any funds of 17 the state not otherwise appropriated." 18

- SEC. 2. Section three hundred thirteen point four (313.4), Code 1966, as amended by chapter two hundred fifty-four (254), section one (1), Acts of the Sixty-second General Assembly, is further amended by striking from line eighteen (18) the words "road improvement".
- 1 SEC. 3. Section three hundred ninety-one A point twenty-one 2 (391A.21), Code 1966, is hereby amended by adding thereto the fol-3

"The first three paragraphs of this section shall not apply to lands 4 under the jurisdiction and control of the state highway commission."

Approved March 4, 1970.

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CHAPTER 1130

RECREATIONAL BIKEWAYS

H. F. 139

AN ACT relating to the establishment of recreational bikeways.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 The state conservation commission, in consultation 2 with the highway commission, is hereby authorized to establish recre-

3 ational bikeways within this state for the use, enjoyment, and participation of the public in non-motorized bicycling. The routes estab-4 5 lished for such bikeways shall be designed to maximize the safety of cyclists and motorists and may utilize secondary roads when the 6 7 normal flow of motor vehicle traffic will not be hindered, as well as 8 other infrequently traveled roads, streets, parkways, and appropriate 9 thoroughfares. Such bikeways shall be routed, wherever possible, to 10 allow the enjoyment of scenic views and points of historical interest, 11 and may connect state parks and other recreational areas throughout 12 the state.

Bikeway routes shall be clearly marked with appropriate signs to guide cyclists and to alert motorists. Such signs shall be placed at intervals and designed in such form as prescribed by the conservation commission in consultation with the highway commission.

The conservation commission is hereby authorized to cooperate with county conservation boards, boards of supervisors, city or town councils, or any private organizations interested in the establishment of bikeways, and may consult with such groups in the planning of appropriate bikeway routes and related activities.

SEC. 2. The state conservation commission may accept in the name of the state funds contributed by such groups; and such funds shall be used exclusively in the establishment of bikeways as herein provided. Additional funds as may be necessary in purchasing signs and otherwise carrying out the provisions of this Act may be expended by the conservation commission if authorized by the general assembly pursuant to appropriations for such purposes; and the commission shall be authorized to accept and expend federal funds made available for the purposes of aiding in the implementation of this Act.

Approved April 11, 1970.

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CHAPTER 1131

COUNTY ENGINEERS

S. F. 1104

AN ACT relating to the mileage and expenses of county engineers.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred nine point twenty (309.20), Code 1966, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

"County engineers and their assistants shall file an itemized and verified account with the board of supervisors for the reimbursement of all expenses incurred. Mileage may be claimed as provided in section seventy-nine point nine (79.9) of the Code.

All mileage payments made at the rate of ten cents per mile to

All mileage payments made at the rate of ten cents per mile to county engineers or their assistants after June 30, 1965, are hereby declared legal and valid."

Approved April 10, 1970.